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WE'RE THIS CLOSE



In 2018, Afghanistan and Pakistan reported just 33 cases of Polio; however, in 2019, eight-eight cases have been reported, so our work is still not done.

Thirty years ago, there were more than 40 new polio cases an hour. Today, statistics show there are fewer than 40 polio cases a year. Today all but three are certified polio-free: Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Nigeria.

There are more than 18 million people walking the Earth today who would've otherwise been paralyzed by polio. And none of it would've happened without you. Jonas Salk developed his oral polio vaccine – which protects a child from the disease with just two drops – has been around since 1961. But for a long time, the world didn't have the resources – or the will – to get the vaccine to every single child who needed it. That changed in the mid-80s, when Rotary International began to fight polio and especially in 1988, when Rotary, WHO, UNICEF, and the CDC helped found the Global Polio Eradication Initiative. In the years since, Rotarians have proven they are heroes in public health, and, by partnering with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, more than \$2 billion has been raised to fight the disease.

“WILL THE MEETING PLEASE COME TO ORDER”



THOUGHT OF THE DAY FROM MONICA FRAGA



TODAY'S VISITOR



FATHER SUNIL ORATHEL
Today's Speaker

ANNOUNCEMENTS & NEWS

IMPROVING LIVES

Through Vehicles donated to Trinity Center by the Clayton Valley/Concord Sunrise Rotary

By Bill Kinsey

Trinity Center Safe Parking Program received a 1999 Dodge Durango on October 12th, 2019 from the **Cars2ndChance** vehicle donation program of the Clayton Valley-Concord Sunrise Rotary Club. The well-maintained Durango got an oil change, new windshield wipers, and an air conditioner recharge at D&H Enterprises in Concord prior to the donation. **Donna Colombo** and **Todd McCarl** from Trinity Center accepted the Durango from Cars2ndChance team members **Mary Kemnitz, Dave Kemnitz, Fred Nelson**, and volunteers from the Clayton Valley-Concord Sunrise Rotary Club.

Trinity Center serves people who are homeless and those experiencing poverty in Contra Costa County. It provides a safety net of basic human services including food, clothing, showers and laundry, mail and telephone access, and referral services. On October 7, 2019 the Center launched a Safe Parking program at St. John Vianney Catholic Church after two years of research and planning with the Walnut Creek Task Force. The program provides a safe parking environment as well as supportive services for people who are living in their vehicles. In addition to a safe place to park overnight, Trinity Center provides funding toward one-time vehicle expenses, such as insurance, registration, and vehicle repair. The loss of a vehicle can be one of the final steps to chronic homelessness. A goal of the Safe Parking Program is stopping the downward spiral of homelessness by bringing stability to individuals who are living in their vehicles.

Cars2ndChance is administered by the Clayton Valley-Concord Sunrise Rotary Charitable Fund, which supports medical, food and shelter, and educational programs locally and abroad.



Great News!



It's official. **Secretary Fred Nelson** announced that **Miles Bell** will be stepping up to the plate and assume the position of Program Director. Fred said *"Miles and I met this morning and he's on the right track. He, of course, needs OUR help to provide quality speakers for our club. So direct your ideas to him."*

Be sure to provide not only the prospective speaker's name, but be sure to include contact information as well as phone numbers or email addresses. Be sure to include a little background information as well and check the club calendar for potential available dates. Miles will issue the final confirmation.

"Thanks, Miles; your service will truly ...*be beneficial to all concerned.*"

Club & Community Services

Clayton Worsdell announced the following:

Day at the Races takes place November 16.
Home Team gets underway November 23
Bell Ringing will commence on December 7
Adopt-A-Street event will be on January 4, 2020.



Rich Lueck was happy to tell us the results of the \$225 we collected at last week meeting for a student at Mt Diablo Elementary School who was in need of a Chrome book. Our instant donation funds provided it. Rich met with the student's mother and there was happiness, gratitude, and tears all around.

HAPPY BUCKS



Julia Dawson was not a happy camper as one of her tenants caused a flood in her laundry room as she washed her cloths. It involved a hose dislocation, a trap door, and one big mess.

Vicki Sexton is back from 10 days in Paris, and here is a souvenir she brought back for us. She said was surprised that the Good old Mona Lisa is shockingly smaller than one would imagine. She said that she got pretty sick of French bread, but it was a very good trip.



Bill Selb was not too happy that he had to go to Vallejo to oversee a home inspection at 8:30 in the morning because his partner was on vacation. But Bill is the go-to guy as we all know.



Miles Bell went to Portland for one week to golf, but guess what? It rained the entire week he was there. So he turned his attention to Long Beach which is the longest beach in the world. While there, he found a Lunch Wagon that was owned and operated by a Hawaiian gentlemen and all they served was Hawaiian food. It was delish.

Don Ouimet's grandson is auditioning for a spot on the new TV show titled "Kids Say the Dandiest things." His granddaughter, who attends Carondelet High School, was selected to take part in a medical trial at the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota.



TODAY'S SPEAKER

WOW



Our speaker today is **Father Sunil Orathel** who is really from a town called Wow in South Sudan. After a geographical overview of South Sudan, he spoke to us today about missionary work throughout Africa.

Sunil is a motivated, self-driven, enthusiastic, sociable, hard working person, who interacts with people of different cultures. He was ordained in 2002 in the diocese of Palai, India and served parish priest duties in five different parishes in three countries that included administration of sacraments, care of the sick, talks, seminars, youth groups, retreats, Interreligious programs, Bible classes, and social Issue discussions. He works with refugee camps in North and South Sudan, street children centers in Wau, South Sudan; and street children centers that include counseling, special projects, networking with NGO and government sectors; project assessment surveys, proposals, execution, reporting and evaluation. Contact Sunil at: sorathel@gmail.com

BLAST FROM THE PAST

Larry Hutchings sent a thank you email to Father Sunil after his presentation and reminded us that the first international humanitarian grant that our club ever undertook was to aid the Don Bosco Mission located in Arequipa, Peru, in its mission to help the street children of Arequipa. We sponsored, equipped, and implemented trade workshops to teach the kids vocational skills in electrical, carpentry and painting. As the club president in 1999, Larry saw the facility and helped dedicate it. He also thanked



ABOUT OUR SPEAKER

Father Sunil Orathel is from the USA, Kenya, and South Sudan. He has his MBA from the Indian School of Management and Studies; a Degree in Theology; a Diploma in Electrical Engineering from Kerala State Board of Technical Education; a Degree in Philosophy from Jnanodaya Salesian College, Yercaud, Salem; is a Financial Administrator for Bosco Boys Children in need project, Kenya; the Principal of Don Bosco Vocational Training and Primary and Secondary School Centre, Wau, South Sudan; and is an Administrator and Technical Coordinator, St. Joseph Technical Institution, Khartoum, Sudan.

LITERACY PROGRAM

Father Sunil signed a book which it will be donated to the Clayton Library in honor of our Club's literacy program.



ALWAYS LEAVE 'EM LAUGHING

NEW PICK UP LINE

A rather elderly gentleman walks into an upscale hotel cocktail lounge. He is very well-dressed, smelling slightly of an expensive after-shave, hair well-groomed, great-looking suit, flower in his lapel. He presents a suave, well-looked-after image.

Seated at the bar is an elderly fine-looking lady in her mid-seventies. The gentleman walks over, sits down next to her, and orders a drink.

He takes a sip then turns to her and says, "So tell me good looking, do I come here often?"

ANOTHER BLONDE JOKE

After a bizarre cliff side accident, all eleven members of the women's outing found themselves hanging perilously from a rope over the edge of the cliff. Ten of the women were blondes and one was a brunette. After dangling there for a only a short while it became obvious that the rope would not hold all their collective weight. They decided that to prevent the rope snapping and killing them all, one of them must sacrifice themselves and let go, to save the others.

Well they talked about it for a while but no-one could decide a fair way of choosing who should jump. Finally, the brunette, exasperated by the indecisiveness of the blondes, could see that if nobody acted soon the rope was going to snap.

To save the others she bravely decided that it must be her who made the sacrifice. She plucked up a little courage and told the others that she would jump to save them.

After giving a short but very moving speech that she hoped would be remembered after she'd gone, the blondes were so moved that they all started clapping!

5 DEADLY TERMS USED BY A WOMAN

- 1) FINE: This is the word women use to end an argument when she knows she is right and you need to shut-up.
- 2) NOTHING: means something & you need to be worried.
- 3) GO AHEAD: this is a dare, not permission, do not do it.
- 4) WHATEVER: A woman's way of saying screw you.
- 5) THATS OKAY: She is thinking long and hard on how and when you wil pay for your mistake.

BONUS WORD: WOW!

This is not a compliment. She's amazed that one person could be so stupid.

...that's all folks.

